

INDUSTRIAL CRISIS THREATENED WITH STRIKE UNCHECKED

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Within a Week.

GOAL PRICES HIGH

Conference of B. & O. With
Employees Chief Hope in
Railroad Strike.

CHICAGO, July 25.—(By The Associated Press.)—The rail strike, combined with the coal strike, was brought home to the public today through the announcement of leaders of several industries that unless a speedy settlement was reached, closing of the plants with resulting unemployment, rationing of food and food products and a crippling of public utilities service would result.

Steel plants, especially in the East, will be closed on a wholesale scale if present conditions continue until August, according to the leaders of large steel companies. Industrial coal was said to be unobtainable at any price in New York. In Chicago increases of from \$5.25 to \$15.25 a ton in coal prices were announced. A shortage of coal cars in bituminous fields has caused an appreciable decline in production.

The close relationship which the strikes were assuming was seen in the statement of H. B. Trumbower, of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission, that if the coal strike lasted an additional two weeks rail transportation in that state would be at a standstill.

Official Washington still maintains silence on the rail situation, but it was confidently expected that President Harding would begin action to end the shopmen's strike during the week. Success in settling differences on that road probably would mean that other roads would adopt a similar course, it is understood.

Hopes for immediate peace were centered in the meeting today of officials of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad with representatives of the strikers. Success in settling differences on that road probably would mean that other roads would adopt a similar course, it is understood.

Further spread of the walkout was considered unlikely since the announcement that the 10,000 members of the state and union would remain at work made by W. J. Noone, head of the union, after a conference with W. L. McMenimen, labor member of the labor board. However, members of the local union at Evansville, Ind., adopted resolutions recommending a strike unless armed guards were removed from the entire Louisville & Nashville system.

Existing embargoes on freight have caused a shortage of commodities in several cities and lack of transportation has reduced the supply of many necessities. In Chicago a leading chain grocery firm announced that the sale of sugar would be limited to ten pounds to a customer. Similar action previously had been taken in several small towns.

More Trains Annulled.—Curtailed of train service continued. The Erie Railroad announced that a special from Chicago to Detroit would be placed on a bi-weekly basis and thirteen other trains suspended.

At Chicago the Grand Trunk Line cancelled two trains between Chicago and Detroit and two between Chicago and Harvey, and the Chicago & Northwestern annulled two trains between Chicago and Milwaukee.

Six trains were canceled by the Soo Line, Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads at St. Paul.

In North Dakota train service on several divisions was placed on a bi-weekly basis. Motor trucks would be used to carry mail on off days, it was announced.

Disorders took a new turn when seven men were arrested in Philadelphia, charged with spreading the word among the waiters in the hotel and shops to refuse to work on railroad equipment.

Two men reported to the police at Henderson, Ky., that they had been kidnapped and beaten by strikers at Howell, Ind.

In Peoria, Ill., a clash was averted by Sheriff Whitman, who dispersed a non-union worker whom 200 men had to start out to find and disarm.

In Danville, Ill., twenty-one non-union men who had left Wabash trains in protest against food conditions were fired by strikers and sent on their way to Decatur.

Non-union workers on their way to Union, Tex., to fill the places of striking shopmen of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad were halted en route because troops were not there to guard them.

Three batteries of field artillery of the Missouri Guard arrived at Moberly, Mo., last night for guard duty in the railroad shops.

A Santa Fe passenger train carrying twenty-nine non-union workers was fired on at San Bernardino, Cal., and a crowd of 300 strikers and sympathizers attempted to board the train on its arrival. One man was arrested.

Federal deputy marshals replaced angry strikers as guards at the railroad shops at Cedar Rapids, Ia., where an outbreak was feared.

Al G. Barnes Animal Comics Force Human Clowns to Step



There's never been a circus without clowns. Wild cat shows have gone out without an elephant but they had a clown, even if the owner had to double as one.

With the Al G. Barnes Wild Animal Circus, coming to Fairmont, next Tuesday the clowns have to step fast, else the hosts of animal funmakers—bears, monkeys, poodles, goats, burros, kangaroos, midget elephants and cunning ponies—will show them up. The fellows in chalk-face are always dreading the old joke,

"The animal clowns were funny, but they had poor support."

Hence, the jocks, as the people of the white tops term the clowns, spring a world of new stuff each season under the Al G. Barnes big top. And, in the four times larger main tent this year, the fifty funny fellows, with their throngs of animal comics assisting, will offer an amazing number of laughable novelty skits, and to place the animals on their mettle, the clowns have all sorts of fowls aiding—parrots, cockatoos, roosters, ducks, bantams, turkeys and ostriches.

CLAIMS HOSPITAL PLANS HELD UP

General Sawyer Attacked for
Failure to Provide Proper
Facilities.

CHICAGO, July 25.—(By The Associated Press.)—A. A. Sprague, chairman of the American Legion's rehabilitation committee, in a letter to Brig. Gen. Charles E. Sawyer, chief co-ordinator of the Federal Board of Hospitalization, made public today, charges that General Sawyer is standing in the way of proper care for wounded and shell shocked veterans and holding up hospital plans approved by Congress.

Appealing to General Sawyers to "stand aside," Colonel Sprague said more than 44,500 mental cases still are confined in contract institutions and that of the remaining 4,715 victims of mental disorders only 3,500 are in government hospitals devoted entirely to their care.

Quoting from a letter received from General Sawyer in which the chief co-ordinator said:

"I am convinced that the peak of hospitalization has been passed," and that the government had sufficient beds, except in two districts.

Colonel Sprague replied:

"It is almost unbelievable that having satisfied Congress that these hospitals were needed and that they should be built to capacity, that we now have to reply to your statement that they are unnecessary."

"Give these men the best care that medical science can provide in government institutions maintained at the highest standard of equipment, and let them return to their own homes, so that if rehabilitated they can be returned to civil life with greater ease, and if doomed to hospitalization they can be near those whom they love best."

"Four years have already passed and the veterans have not yet been provided for. A belated program is now being held up, and changed. It is being changed to meet your approval. I appeal to you, sir, to stand aside and allow this program of the Veterans' Bureau go into effect and at once."

The Sprague letter follows one written by the General July 17 to Colonel Sprague dealing with the Legion demands for hospital care of the wounded under the Langley Appropriation Bill.

CRUDE OIL PRICE CUT.
SAN FRANCISCO, July 25.—The Standard Oil Co. of California today announced a reduction in price for all grades of crude oil at the well, of 25 cents a barrel. The company also announced a temporary discontinuance of its practice of contracting for the purchase of crude oil.

One curious remedy for leprosy a plague of the East, was eating pythons.

GRANT TOWN

Riggs Reunion
The Riggs reunion was held at Blacksville last Sunday. There were about fifty people present. A dinner and the automobile trip proved to be two pleasant features of the outing.

Poisoned From Boil
A. L. Weekly is suffering with blood poisoning of one hand. It was caused from a boil which became infected.

Camping Trip
The Keystone Agriculture Club went on a camping trip yesterday to East Run near Mannington. The campers are in charge of Miss Eva Blair and W. E. McComas. They will stay until Saturday. Those on the trip are: Eleanor Riggs, Phyllis Riggs, Howard Toothman, Robert McCoy and Ernest Toothman.

Personals
Charles Warner and daughter and son, Helen and Robert, visited Mrs. Warner, who is in Cook hospital for treatment. Mrs. Warner is expected home in a few days.

Harold Shultz, who had his ankle hurt in Ravine Park is very much better.

The coal companies' officials were around yesterday in an effort to determine the number of men who would go to work for the nineteen and seventeen wage scale.

Bessie Alms-Barbe has returned from a two weeks' visit with her uncle, Willie Barbe of Arnettsville.

SENATOR CULBERSON DEFEATED IN TEXAS

DALLAS, Tex., July 25.—Leading Senator Charles A. Culbertson, who held 16,000 votes on the face of the latest returns from Saturday's Democratic primary, James E. Ferguson, former governor, seemed assured of being in the run off election with Earl B. Mayfield, who has served as state railroad commissioner for a number of years, was generally regarded as having the support of the Ku Klux Klan, although he did not make the Klan an issue in his campaign. Ferguson and Culbertson opposed the Klan.

Declares Against Klan
TEMPLE, Tex., July 25.—Former Governor J. E. Ferguson, in a statement made to the Associated Press when election returns indicated he would enter the run off election with Earl B. Mayfield for United States senator, declared that the "dominant thought that should now be in the minds of the people of Texas is how to make sure the supremacy of one kind of a government and that one a Republic form of government—free from domination of kings and wizards."

Mr. Ferguson indicated that Federal Reserve System would be one of the leading issues in the run-off election should he be second man.

Are Your Shoes Sick?
FAIRMONT SHOE HOSPITAL
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"We Know How."
14 Years in the same place

15,200 PHONES TO BE INSTALLED IN STATE THIS YEAR

Extensive Improvements to Be
Made by C. & P. in Vicinity
of Fairmont.

Nearly 6,000 telephones in West Virginia will be moved from one place of residence or business to another during 1922. This means that virtually one out of every twelve will be disconnected and reconnected at another location.

Officials of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. estimate that there will be total of 15,200 new telephones actually installed during this year in West Virginia. As usual, a large number of telephones will be disconnected, so that the total net increases in the state during the year will be more than 4,000. There are now about 73,000 telephones in West Virginia.

Last year in the whole country 1,820 telephones were moved from one place to another by the Bell System, a record of more than \$15,000,000. In West Virginia during 1921 there were 15,199 connections and \$540 disconnections. In spite of the fact that telephone subscribers are probably the most stable and permanent portion of the state's population.

To most people the connecting or disconnecting of a telephone seems a simple operation of installing or removing the instrument. As a matter of fact in every case it necessitates changes in the cables and wires overhead or underground. It also necessitates changes in central office wires and switchboard connections; in subscribers' accounts and directory listings; and frequently requires the running of new "drop" lines from one wire or cables.

In the telephone business every day is "moving day." Though there are certain periods especially in spring and fall, when the number of connections is abnormal, many stations are being moved every day. And the habit is not peculiar to West Virginia since nearly 2,000,000 telephones out of 13,000,000 in the Bell System are moved each year.

The problems of station movement are among the largest problems of the telephone people. It is only by the most expert management of plant facilities that service is enabled to follow the subscriber wherever he goes.

Dividend Paid
Checks for the 131st dividend payment on stock of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. reached stockholders on July 15, dividend being \$2.25 per share for the quarterly period.

Accompanying the checks was a statement from H. B. Thayer, president of the company, which included the following:

"The management of your company is governed by the conviction that your interest and the public interest are the same. If it serves you wisely; having in mind the future as well as the present, it must necessarily serve the public well."

"Our service must not only keep pace with the growth of the country; it must also meet the constantly increasing use of the telephone. We are giving not only the best service possible, but also the broadest service possible. Our charges must be low enough to enable everyone who needs a telephone to have one; they must be high enough to attract the new capital necessary to take care of this growth."

"The lowest rates which may be imposed upon telephone companies by regulatory bodies must, under the law, afford a fair return upon the value of their properties. In the past, the value of the property is admittedly largely in excess of the capitalization, so that such fair return would provide a large margin over dividend requirements. However, in the interest of the broadest service, we have asked only for such rates as give a safe margin."

"We believe that your interest and the public interest demand that, as far as practicable, subscribers who pay for the service shall be financially interested in the company engaged in rendering it. To that end we have promoted and are promoting a demand for your stock by small investors. There are now more than 210,000 stockholders of this growth."

"Not an insect powder, no dust or muck; will not injure clothing, and will actually kill the bugs, fleas, ticks, and other pests and puts an everlasting to the Flea Devil, as it destroys future generations. Impossible for them to breed with this proper use."

Get from your Druggist's a 50¢ package; this will make a quart; each package contains a patent sprout to get them in the hard-to-get places. Kills Fleas, Ticks, and other pests. Makes five gallons. P. D. Q. can also be purchased in liquid form in a handy bottle with sprout in each package. Your Druggist will tell you how to use it.

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the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

With the same object in mind, as well as to provide locally a larger part of the capital required locally for new construction, we have encouraged limited sales of their preferred stocks by the associated companies."

There was also included a report of the earnings for the first six months of 1922, as follows:

Six Months Ending June 30, 1922.
Earnings: Dividends \$1,761,387.63
Interest 6,460,110.31
Telephone operating revenue \$1,363,941.89
Miscellaneous revenue \$1,122.56

Total \$59,656,562.39
Expenses, including provision for taxes, 19,036,603.85

Net earnings \$40,619,958.51
Deduct interest \$2,558,819.04

Balance available for dividends \$38,061,139.47
Deduct dividends \$2,285,947.25

Balance \$35,775,192.22
Extensive improvements have been planned by the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. in the vicinity of Fairmont this year, these improvements including additional cables connecting Fairmont with other points in the country and the beginning of the installation of underground cables in the city. Although M. W. Seabolt, local manager of the telephone company, has made no formal announcement of the improvements, reports are that the improvements are to be made have not been denied.

DAVID BELASCO INJURED
BY FALL FROM STAGE

NEW YORK, July 25.—The appearance of David Belasco with bandages around his arms today revealed he was so severely injured last Thursday by a fall from the stage of a Broadway theater to the orchestra pit that he was confined to his bed for three days.

He was directing a play when his attention was called to a woman friend who had just entered the theater. Mr. Belasco leaned over the foot lights to greet her. The woman stumbled, and the producer, in attempting to lift her to her feet, lost his balance and fell on the music stands and railings in the orchestra pit.

TO ESTABLISH COLONY
AUBURN, N. Y., July 25.—William P. George, founder of the George Junior Republic, announced today he would sail on August 19 for France to establish a similar colony on the former home of Lafayette at Chavagnac in Auvergne.

2,120 CARS RECOVERED.
CHICAGO, July 25.—Motor cars valued at more than \$2,500,000 and number 2,120 have been recovered by the Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and 2,733 persons have been arrested on charges of interstate traffic in stolen motor vehicles since the passage of the Dyer Anti-theft Automobile Law, figures issued today by the American Automobile Association show.

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75c
Reserved Chair Seat Sale
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Drug Store

DOLLAR DAYS

SALE 61

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

TO OUR FRIENDS:

This is a time when economical shopping is more and more necessary in a majority of homes and for that reason we are especially happy that we can offer our friends the exceptional bargains listed below. Folks who want to save—and MUST save on their purchases because of the times—will gain a wonderful lot of satisfaction by coming here during Dollar Days Sale No. 61, Wednesday and Thursday.

Fairmont Underselling
Store



Men's Genuine Toyo Panama Hats \$1

Choice of Alpine or sailor shapes; some a bit soiled from handling—otherwise they are marvelous values.

Boys' Khaki Knickerbocker Pants; 2 Pairs for \$1

Good weight twill; sizes 8 to 10 only; values up to \$1 per pair.

Men's Fine Quality Balbriggan \$1

Underwear, 2 for \$1
Choice of shirts or drawers in white or ecru—long or short sleeves. Regular 75c "Elmira" Brand.

Ladies' All-Over House Aprons 3 for \$1

Splendid for working around the house. Made of good brown muslin—neatly trimmed.

Large Size Fibre Waste Baskets; each \$1

A very handy article made in proper weight for either office or home use.

Tall Decorated Vases Going \$1

at 2 for \$1
We have previously offered these same vases and they are decidedly popular. Choice of various decorations and shapes.

Infant's Black or Tan Pumps, Pair \$1

Well made with solid leather soles. Sizes 3 to 8. Genuinely big value for the money.

Boys' or Girls' Ribbed Hose; \$1

6 Pairs for \$1
In white, black or brown. Made of very good quality cotton yarn. Right weight for warm weather wearing.

Ladies' White or Gray Wash \$1

Skirts, each \$1
Well made and attractive. Just right for summer wear. Choice of your size and desired color for only a dollar.

Ladies' Gingham Jumper Dresses \$1

Carefully made of durable quality striped ginghams. Cut full and roomy. Neat and attractive patterns.

Boys' Dress Shirts with Collars; 2 for \$1

Made of good grade percale with soft collars attached. Neat striped patterns. All boys' sizes.

Ladies' Summer Weight Bloomers; 3 for \$1

Made of good grade pink crepe or pink or white batiste. Substantially sewed seams.

Men's B. V. D. or Seal-Pax Union Suits \$1

The best known standard brands. Made of fine quality nainsook. Regularly sold in other stores for \$1.25 and \$1.50.

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White, blue, helio and pink; yard wide.

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Plentiful range of beautiful patterns.

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White or ecru color; plain or figured; good width.

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Red, orchid, tan, brown, maize and navy blue.

Kiddie Cloth; 5 yds. \$1

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Fast color plaids, checks or stripe. Strong and serviceable.

Art Ticking 3 full yards \$1

Large selection of attractive patterns.

30 in. Kimono Crepe 5 yards \$1

Solid colors or fancy patterns. Fine weight.

Good Apron Gingham; 10 yards \$1

Checks in various sizes and colors; exceptional value.

Corded Madras 2 1/2 yards for \$1

All white or neat striped effects. Fine quality.

Challotte Crash Suitings; 5 yards \$1

All popular shades; suitable for all summer outer garments.

Ladies' Summer Ribbed Vests; 6 for \$1

Light weight ribbed; V or square neck and also some bodice styles.

Little Boys' Straw Hats, 2 for \$1

In Rah Rah or Sailor shapes in brown, black or blue. Made of excellent straw braid. Buy two now and save one for dress-up days.

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